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- 25X1 1. Bulgaria is reported to be secretly reestablishing its military power. The
25X1 8th and 9th Infantry Divisions have been recreated. Military Commissions
are now visiting all the villages and making a survey of all equipment that
might be of use in case of war. This survey includes horses, harnesses,
wagons, kitchen equipment, munitions, and other supplies. Such a commission
was in Bestritz at the end of October. All vehicles must be registered.
2. Two more Bulgarian tank divisions (regiments) have been re-established, in-
cluding the one at Kazanlik.
3. It has been rumored in Sofia that some reserve officers are being called up.
The six military districts of Sofia allegedly are beginning to mobilize
some of their men.
- 25X1 4. [redacted] along the road from Gorna Banya to Rustendia [redacted]
[redacted] sixty Russian tanks of the "40 ton kind". [redacted]
[redacted] the tanks were proceeding to the
25X1 Turkish frontier. Almost every night tanks are being unloaded at Nadezhda,
a suburb northwest of Sofia.
- 25X1 5. [redacted] the zone near the Turkish border,
25X1 [redacted] fortifications there are not being built up. It is now al-
25X1 most impossible to secure cement because train loads of it are being shipped
25X1 into Rumania, he states. Allegedly the Russians are building "extensive
25X1 fortifications" along the Rumanian-Bulgarian border. [redacted] the
25X1 Russians plan a direct attack on the Dardanelles. If this fails they will
25X1 withdraw to the "Danube Line". Bulgaria would be too costly to hold without
the Dardanelles because of its long and exposed seacoast.
6. The Russians have put in a new mine field between Sozopol and Burgas. It
is still necessary for American ships to have a Russian pilot when coming to
Burgas. The pilots take the ships all the way north to Kavarna before
turning in toward the coast, then out back to Burgas.

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